

The Released Information Management System (RIMS) is a computerized data base which contains:

1. Specific items of information where the question of classification is marginal or arguable and the classification action taken can serve as a precedent for handling similar information in the future; and
2. Guidelines issued by Agency components for use in making classification review decisions.

The data base contains items of information that have been extracted from documents, books, and other source materials and filed according to subject matter using the categories of intelligence related information established in the Agency National Security Classification Guide. The items are further defined by including the following qualifiers:

1. Identification of the source document.
2. Name of the author or originator.
3. The geographical area.
4. The date of the information.
5. The classification status.

There are special file segments within the data base for Guidelines, True Names, Pseudonyms, and Cryptonyms. These can be searched independently. The data base also can be searched using the Keyword if that is desired.

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The Released Information Management System (RIMS) contains items of information of questionable or debatable classification status that have been extracted from documents released to the public. We select only this type of information to keep the data base of manageable size and because this is the type of information that is most likely to raise classification questions in the future. These items then serve as precedents for making new classification decisions thereby making those decisions more consistent with what we have done in the past. The system also contains official guidelines, where available, to aid further in making classification decisions and in maintaining consistency. The system can be used in more general ways by providing a record of information released on a given subject, and a record of information released by certain sources, to mention two.

DARE

DARE (Declassified and Released) is an off-line system used to record the classification decisions made on Agency documents during the systematic review of permanent records.